

1 Staff Summary

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3 This Ordinance creates a Water Safety Advisory Committee. The purpose of this committee is to  
4 advise the Board of County Commissioners on issues related to the water safety and drowning  
5 prevention.

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7 **ORDINANCE NO. 2015-**

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9 **AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF**  
10 **LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA, CREATING LAKE COUNTY CODE**  
11 **CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE IV, DIVISION 6, ENTITLED “WATER SAFETY**  
12 **ADVISORY COMMITTEE”; PROVIDING FOR FUNCTIONS, POWERS,**  
13 **AND DUTIES; PROVIDING FOR MEMBERSHIP; PROVIDING FOR**  
14 **INCLUSION IN THE CODE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY;**  
15 **PROVIDING FOR FILING WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE; AND**  
16 **PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

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19 **WHEREAS**, drowning is the leading cause of injury-related death among children  
20 between the ages of one (1) and four (4) years old, and is the third leading cause of injury-related  
21 deaths among children nineteen (19) and under; and

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23 **WHEREAS**, the Board desires to create a committee to provide recommendations to  
24 facilitate water safety and drowning prevention; and

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26 **WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners finds that it is in the best interests of  
27 the citizens of Lake County, Florida to create the Water Safety Advisory Committee.

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29 **NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Board of County Commissioners of  
30 Lake County, Florida, as follows:

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32 **Section 1.    Recitals.**    The foregoing recitals are true and correct and incorporated  
33 herein by reference

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35 **Section 2.    Creation.**    Lake County Code Chapter 2, Article IV, Division 6,  
36 entitled “Water Safety Advisory Committee” is hereby created to read as follows:

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38 **Sec. 2-90.12    Functions, powers, and duties.**

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40 The Water Safety Advisory Committee shall have the following functions, powers and duties as  
41 they pertain to the planning area:

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43 (1) The Committee is hereby created for the purposes of advising the Board of County  
44 Commissioners on issues related to water safety and drowning prevention.  
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- 1 (2) The Committee may make recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners on  
2 any other items as requested by the Board of County Commissioners.  
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4 **Section 2-90.13 Membership.**  
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6 The Committee shall consist of nine (9) members to be appointed by the Board of County  
7 Commissioners and appointments shall comply with the following:  
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- 9 (1) All members shall have a term of two (2) years from the date of appointment unless  
10 otherwise specified, and all members shall be eligible for reappointment.  
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12 (2) Members shall represent the specified agency or have expertise, experience or represent  
13 in one or more of the following areas:  
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15 a. Swim Instruction  
16 b. Public education  
17 c. Youth organization  
18 d. Citizen representative  
19 e. Coast Guard Auxiliary or other boating safety experience  
20 f. Department of Health representative  
21 g. Department of Children and Families representative  
22 h. Lake EMS Representative  
23 i. Municipal representative (annual rotation between cities with pool facilities)  
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25 (3) Members will be expected to attend all scheduled meetings. If any member of the  
26 committee fails to attend three (3) meetings without cause within a calendar year, or fails  
27 to attend a total of six (6) meetings with or without cause in a calendar year, the County  
28 Manager or designee shall notify the Board of County Commissioners in writing. The  
29 Board of County Commissioners shall declare the member's seat vacant and promptly fill  
30 such vacancy. Examples of absences for cause include illness, vacation, death or illness  
31 of a family member, etc.  
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33 (4) In addition to the nine (9) members appointed by the Board of County Commissioners,  
34 one (1) County Commissioner may be appointed to serve as a non-voting liaison and  
35 shall not be considered a member of the committee.  
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37 **Section 2-90.14 Procedure.**  
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- 39 (1) The committee shall meet quarterly or as necessary to achieve its functions as specified in  
40 Section 2-90.12.  
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42 (2) The committee shall have the authority to elect a chairman and a vice-chairman from its  
43 membership to serve the needs of the committee. Terms of all offices shall be for one (1)  
44 year from the date of election, with eligibility for reelection.  
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- 1 (3) All meetings shall be held in a public place and shall be open to the public pursuant to  
2 Chapter 286, Florida Statutes.  
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4 (4) All meetings shall be noticed and minutes kept.  
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6 (5) Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised, shall be the reference source on all questions of  
7 parliamentary procedure.  
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9 (6) A quorum for conducting regular business shall be a majority of the appointed members.  
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11 (7) The County Manager or designee shall determine who shall serve as staff to the committee.  
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13 **Section 3. Inclusion in the Code.** It is the intent of the Board of County  
14 Commissioners that the provisions of this Ordinance shall become and be made a part of the  
15 Lake County Code and that the sections of this Ordinance may be renumbered or relettered and  
16 the word "ordinance" may be changed to "section", "article" or such other appropriate word or  
17 phrase in order to accomplish such intentions.  
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19 **Section 4. Severability.** If any section, sentence, clause, or phrase of the Ordinance  
20 is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, then said holding  
21 shall in no way affect the validity of the remaining portion of this Ordinance.  
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23 **Section 5. Filing with the Department of State.** The clerk shall be and is hereby  
24 directed forthwith to send a copy of this Ordinance to the Secretary of State for the State of  
25 Florida in accordance with Section 125.66, Florida Statutes.  
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27 **Section 5. Effective Date.** This ordinance shall become effective as provided  
28 for by law.  
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30 Enacted this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2015.

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32 Filed with the Secretary of State \_\_\_\_\_, 2015.

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34 Effective \_\_\_\_\_, 2015.  
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2 ATTEST:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA

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6 Neil Kelly, Clerk of the  
7 Board of County Commissioners  
8 of Lake County, Florida

\_\_\_\_\_ Jimmy Conner, Chairman

This \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2015.

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15 Approved as to form and legality:

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19 Sanford A. Minkoff  
20 County Attorney